

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 788 - HB 1305**

March 19, 2021

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires a local education agency (LEA) to identify each school that has the capacity to enroll additional students before the start of each school year and post the number of spaces available for enrollment in each school by grade, class, and program level on the LEA's website at least 14 days prior to the beginning of the open enrollment period. Establishes that open enrollment periods must be at least 30 days. Authorizes an LEA to reserve enrollment spaces for students with a sibling that attends or a parent that teaches at school.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-2-128, LEAs are required to provide for an open enrollment period during which parents or guardians may choose from a list of the LEA schools with available space and request a transfer. If the transfer is granted, parents or guardians are responsible for transportation to the new school.
- Changes outlined in the proposed legislation will not significantly impact programs or procedures of LEAs. LEAs will be able to comply with the proposed legislation within existing resources.
- No impact to the Basic Education Program.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista Lee Carsner, Executive Director

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